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Notice of Appointment

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Name: <i>Anita Khandelwal</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Capitol Hill</i>	Zip Code: <i>98122</i>	Contact Phone No.: <i>N/A</i>
Appointed to: <i>At-large member of the Seattle Human Rights Commission</i>		Date of Appointment: <i>November 14, 2013</i>
Authority (Ord., Res.): <i>S.M.C. 3.14.920</i>		Term of Office From: <i>Confirmation</i> To: <i>July 22, 2015</i>
Background: Anita Khandelwal holds a B.A. in Anthropology from Yale University, and holds a J.D. from Yale University. Anita's work since law school has been driven by her commitment to equality and individual liberty and dignity. Her work has focused exclusively on the area of civil rights, human rights, and criminal justice reform. As a staff attorney and Soros Justice Fellow at the Racial Disparity Project at The Defender Association, Anita spent two years working on local ordinances and local police practices that have a disparate impact on people of color. Anita drafted alternative policies which were ultimately adopted by the police department. As a fellow at Relman & Dane, Anita worked on policies that excluded Blacks and families with children from housing under the Fair Housing Act. As an intern at the ACLU Drug Law Reform Project, Anita worked on a lawsuit challenging the wrongful arrest and conviction of 15 African-American residents of Hearne, Texas for drug crimes. Anita believes the Commission can play a valuable role in advising the City about the most just, humane, and effective policies.		
Authorizing Signature: 		Name and Title of Officer Making Appointment: Mayor Mike McGinn

ANITA KHADELWAL

EDUCATION

YALE LAW SCHOOL, New Haven, CT

J.D., May 2005

Activities: *Yale Law Journal*, Senior Editor; Collective of Women of Color, Co-chair

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, New York, NY

Ph.D Candidate in Anthropology, 1998-2002

Research: Researched and wrote numerous papers on South Asian immigration to U.S.
Research cited in "Transnational Movements, Diaspora, and Multiple Modernities," 129
Daedalus 178 (1999)

Honors: Columbia Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Fellowship
Social Science Research Council Pre-dissertation Research Fellowship
Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship
Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Fellowship (1988-89)

Activities: Teaching Assistant; Senior Thesis-writing Seminar; Introduction to Indian Culture
Volunteer: Workers' Awaaz; New York Taxi Workers' Alliance

YALE UNIVERSITY, New Haven, CT

B.A. in Anthropology and History, 1998

Honors: Edward J. Bouchet Undergraduate Research Fellowship
Paul Mellon Undergraduate Research Grant
Graduated *cum laude* with distinction in both majors

EXPERIENCE

FEDERAL DEFENDER FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

Seattle, WA, December 2011 to present

Writing and Research Specialist. Drafted pre-trial motions, trial briefs, and appellate briefs on behalf of indigent defendants charged with federal crimes. Drafted habeas petitions on behalf of indigent defendants challenging state and federal convictions. Argued in trial court and Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

THE DEFENDER ASSOCIATION

Seattle, WA, July 2008 to December 2011

Staff Attorney (July 2008-09). Represented individuals accused of misdemeanors, including motion practice, hearings, and jury trials.

Soros Justice Advocacy Fellow (September 2009-March 2011). Awarded Soros Justice Advocacy Fellowship by the Open Society Institute. Successfully challenged police practices excluding youth of color and homeless individuals from public places and spaces, including parks, businesses, and public transit.

Staff Attorney (April 2011-December 2011). Continued work to reform local police practices, litigated Public Disclosure Act issues arising from criminal cases, assisted lawyers with briefing in cases involving trespass charges.

HONORABLE WILLIAM WAYNE JUSTICE, WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

Austin, TX, August 2007 to July 2008

Law Clerk. Researched and drafted legal opinions with emphasis on criminal issues.

RELMAN & DANE, PLLC, Washington, D.C., September 2006 to August 2007

Civil Rights Fellow. Researched and wrote legal memoranda and briefs for civil rights firm. Involved in all aspects of litigation, including drafting complaints, motion for preliminary injunction, opposition to summary judgment, motions in limine, and other pleadings; took and second-chaired depositions.

HONORABLE DOLORES K. SLOVITER, THIRD CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS

Philadelphia, PA, August 2005 to August 2006

Law Clerk. Researched and drafted legal opinions.

ACLU REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM PROJECT, New York, NY, January 2005 to May 2005

Legal Intern. Developed legal strategy to protect abortion provider from protesters and worked with client to implement strategy. Researched and wrote legal memoranda on federal pre-emption of state laws restricting access to abortion, use and interpretation of state abortion statutes, FOIA, and other issues.

BRENNAN CENTER, POVERTY PROGRAM, New York, NY, September 2004 to May 2005

Legal Intern. Drafted bill requiring large retailers to pay living wage in Washington, D.C. in collaboration with coalition of union and community groups. Researched and wrote legal memoranda on other labor and immigration issues.

ALTSHULER, BERZON, NUSSBAUM, RUBIN & DEMAIN, San Francisco, CA, May 2004 to July 2004

Summer Law Clerk. Researched and wrote legal memoranda and briefs for union-side labor law firm. Developed responses to emerging legal attacks by conservative groups on neutrality agreements and labor peace ordinances.

ACLU DRUG LAW REFORM PROJECT, Santa Cruz, CA, May 2003 to August 2004

Legal Intern. Interviewed clients and potential witnesses and drafted complaint in nationally publicized civil rights case alleging discriminatory law enforcement in South Carolina. Traveled to Texas for witness preparation in case challenging mass arrest of African-Americans in Hearne, Texas on uncorroborated drug charges. Researched and wrote legal memoranda and pleadings on many issues, including contempt proceedings in Bridgeport, CT, civil conspiracy, civil procedure, and privilege.

LANGUAGES: Hindi and Urdu, Conversational Spanish

BAR ADMISSIONS: Washington; California (inactive); Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals; Western District of Washington; Northern District of California; Central District of California.

Seattle Human Rights Commission

November 2013

15 members, confirmed by City Council, who serve a term of 2-years:

- 7 appointed by Mayor, confirmed by City Council
- 7 appointed by City Council
- 1 appointed by the Commission, confirmed by City Council

1 Get Engaged Member, confirmed by City Council who serves a single term of 1-year

D	G	Name	Appointed	Term Ends	Term #	Position	Appointed By
3	F	Alejandra Gonza	11-01-12	07-22-13	1 st		City Council
3	F	Andrea Negrete	11-05-12	07-22-14	1 st		Mayor
6	F	Catherine Moore	08-27-12	07-22-14	1 st		City Council
1	F	Christina Ygon	08-27-12	07-22-14	1 st		Commission
4	M	Christopher Stearns	07-30-09	07-22-13	2 nd	Chair	Mayor
3	M	David Lujano	11-05-12	07-22-14	1 st		Mayor
3	M	Greg Ramirez	10-31-11	07-22-13	1 st		City Council
1	F	Isabel Bussarakum	08-27-12	07-22-14	1 st		City Council
1	F	Jennifer Yogi	07-30-10	07-22-14	2 nd	Secretary	Mayor
6	F	Jessica Andrade	01-05-10	07-22-13	2 nd		City Council
6	F	Katherine Beckett	08-27-12	07-22-14	1 st		City Council
5	F	Marsha Mavunkel	10-31-11	07-22-13	1 st		Mayor
6	M	Martin Penner	07-30-10	07-22-13	2 nd		Mayor
2	M	Michael Mitchell	09-01-12	09-01-13	1 st	Get Engaged	Mayor
4	F	Nika Dahlbacka	09-09-10	07-22-13	3 rd	Vice-Chair	City Council
1	F	Anita Khandelwal	11-14-13	07-22-15	1 st		Mayor

(sorted by appt auth, term end date and name)

Diversity

	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	(1) Asian-American	(2) African-American	(3) Hispanic Latin@	(4) Native-American	(5) Other	(6) Caucasian
Council	1	6	0	4	1	0	2	1	0	3
Commission	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mayor	4	3	0	6	2	0	2	1	1	1
Get Engaged	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total	6	10	0	12	4	1	4	2	1	4